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Autumn at Mary Washington College provides unique scenery for the careful observer. The MWC environment is one of beauty and charm. Often we wander unaware of the aesthetic pleasures our campus holds.

Senate Vice-President Says Constitution is a Farce

Reprinted from PROMETHEUS
(Nov. 11 issue)
By MIKE MELLO

The following, a taped interview, took place on October 3, 1977 in room 215 of Bushnell Dorm.

PROMETHEUS: Jim, two weeks ago you were Vice President of the Student Senate, a day student senator, and a day student judicial representative. Besides that, you had plans for running for President of S.A. next year. Today, you have resigned from all of your positions in S.A. and have in effect withdrawn from campus politics. What happened?

Boyd: The whole thing started when Mike McCoy, who is President of the Day Student Association and a member of a committee formed by Executive Cabinet to re-write the sections of the Constitution relating to day students. While doing so, I discovered Section 4, Article 6 of the Constitution, which deals with eligibility of students to hold office on the Executive Cabinet. That Section reads: "Eligibility for any office within the Executive Cabinet shall be dependent upon ... full-time student status and the maintenance thereof throughout the tenure of office." At the beginning of the year, during registration, I was talking to Kathy Mayer who is now President of the S.A. (and who is not only a member of Executive Cabinet but presides over it) and she told me that she was only taking 10 hours. Well, when I read this Article 6, Section 4, of the Constitution last week, I remembered that Kathy Mayer was only taking ten class hours.

Everything that the administration has ever told the day student, in any way, shape or form, has defined a "full-time student" as one who is taking 12 semester credit hours. This is how a "full-time student" has been defined. Thus, it seemed to me that Kathy Mayer was holding office illegally.

Prometheus: What action did you then take?

Boyd: I brought up the issue with two people, besides Mark, who were curious about the same situation. One of these people thought that my whole interest in the matter was a move on my part to get publicity and possibly even more power; if Kathy resigned as President, Barb Stammerjohn would have become President and I would have succeeded Barb as Vice President of S.A. and President of the

Senate. This person also knew that I was planning to run for President of the S.A. next year. I talked the entire situation over with my wife, who is a graduate of M.W.C., and we concluded that I had three alternatives. One was to stay on as Vice-President of S.A. and press charges in the Senate against Kathy Mayer for holding office illegally under the Constitution. I thought that I would probably lose in such an effort, mainly because G.W. would get into the middle of the argument.

The second alternative I had was to stay in office, be a hypocrite and not fulfill my obligations under Article 6 Section 7 of the Constitution, under which I solemnly promised to "maintain the Constitution of the Student Association of Mary Washington College" as an officer of the S.A.

The third alternative I had was to resign and to leave it in their hands to do what they see fit. I submitted my resignation to Kathy Mayer and the rest of the Executive Cabinet as well as Mark McCoy and Cindy Heflin, Vice President of the Day Students Association, on October 27. The Executive Cabinet had a meeting that afternoon, which Mark and I attended. We all discussed the situation, and I said that the main reason for my resignation was the fact that I did not want to press the issue and if I remained on as either a Senator or as Vice President of the Senate, I would have to press it because of my oath to uphold the Constitution. A major fight in Senate over this issue would have opened up a huge sore in the S.A.'s ability to function; it would have laid a big question mark upon the validity of Kathy Mayer's holding office, no matter who won the case.

Prometheus: What else happened at that October 27 meeting of Executive Cabinet?

Boyd: They wanted to involve President Woodard, Dean Clement and Dean Croushore in the discussion, because Kathy was under the assumption that she was a full-time student because she had gotten permission from her faculty adviser (who happens to be one of the assistant deans), from Dean Clement and from Dean Croushore to take the equivalent of a part-time load (less than twelve hours), to remain on campus in a dorm, and to remain in the position of S.A. President.

My whole point was that the Constitution does not allow for any exemption in any way, shape, or form from any part of it. This was what I based

my resignation on.

Prometheus: Did you ever meet with members of the administration on this question?

Boyd: Yes, on Friday the 28th, at about 4:30, the Executive Cabinet met with President Woodard; Dean Clement and Dean Croushore did not attend, though they were scheduled to be there. President Woodard informed us that his office, the office of the Dean, or the office of Financial Aid and Admissions, are the sole authorities of what is and what is not student status and have the right any time, in any way, shape or form to change the status of any student as they see fit.

Prometheus: But, given that, given the fact that the administration seems to be able to supercede or modify the Constitution at whim, doesn't it seem that Kathy is, in fact, holding office legally? I mean, since they modified the rules, she can't be accused of violating the OLD rules.

Boyd: As far as the administration is concerned, as far as President Woodard is concerned, as far as Executive Cabinet is concerned, she is holding office legally; because G.W. has declared her a full-time student. I upon learning of that fact, was asked by Executive Cabinet to take back my resignation and to stay in office. I refused to do this, because I felt that if the Constitution was worth the paper it was written on, what it said was what it meant: the catalog states twelve hours; everything that the day students have ever had has defined a full-time student as one who is taking twelve hours. There are no exemptions in the Constitution; therefore, I would not withdraw my resignation.

Prometheus: Does the STUDENT HANDBOOK provide for any such exemptions?

Boyd: The Handbook does not, neither does the Constitution. But from what President Woodard told us on the 28th of October, there are four or five exemptions, depending on how you define it, where G.W. will allow a student to take less than twelve hours and still be classified as a full-time student.

One of those is if the student agrees to pay the full-time student status fee for tuition, room, board and activities fees. He also said that this goes for day students as well as residential students; if the student wanted to pay the full amount that is charged as a

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D.V.I.R. Rusk Meets With Student Journalists, Discusses Political Views

By THOMAS J. VANDEVER

Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk began his four-day visit as MWC's Distinguished Visitor in Residence by facing reporters at a brief press conference in the Alumni House on Friday, November 11.

Rusk, who was accompanied by his wife Virginia, answered questions covering a broad range of topics, with an emphasis on Vietnam. Besides the BULLET staff, there were representatives from the RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH, THE FREE LANCE-STAR, TIDEWATER WEEKLIES PUBLICATIONS, and members of the Alumni Association.

Asked whether he felt the Nixon Administration had followed policies consistent with the options left to it by the Johnson Administration, Rusk replied that due to the loss of public support caused by the 1968 Tet offensive, "we conclude ... that the troops ... had to get out of Vietnam. So from that point of view I was really surprised that Mr. Nixon protracted that process quite as long as he did, because whoever became President in January, 1969 would have had to take the troops out of Vietnam—because it had been decided at the grass roots by the American people, and they have the power to make that decision." Rusk said he made no criticisms of Nixon's policy at the time because he did not wish to "make things more difficult" for his successors.

Rusk stressed the burden of knowing that a wrong decision could have resulted in nuclear catastrophe. He acknowledged that this caution aggravated the situation in Vietnam. "It's hard to do in cold blood what you

may need hot blood for. We made a deliberate decision ... not to create a war fever in this country."

Reflecting on his accomplishments as Secretary of State, Rusk said: "I think the thing that gives me greatest satisfaction is that I was able to assist in adding eight more years to the period since a nuclear weapon has been fired in anger." In Rusk's view, Vietnam was "an incident" when compared to the threat of nuclear war.

According to Rusk, our real errors in Vietnam may not be apparent for another 15 or 20 years—but one of the "fundamental reasons" for involvement in southeast Asia was to "sustain the idea of collective security." In Rusk's opinion, the U.S. failure in Vietnam has produced an erosion of the notion of collective defense in the minds of the American people, a result which may have serious consequences in the future.

In another line of thought, Rusk supported the new treaties on the Panama Canal, saying that the 1903 treaty is invalid by 20th century standards. "In this modern period, no nation can maintain a presence within another nation, without the second nation's consent."

Concerning the recent case of former CIA director Richard Helms, Rusk said that there are certain matters of national security which cannot be publicly revealed. When asked how he might have reacted had he ever been subpoenaed by Congress, Rusk flatly replied, "I would have gone the route of contempt," refusing to answer questions rather than committing perjury or revealing national secrets.

The former Secretary of State also cautioned against policies which might involve the use of force in Eastern Europe. The U.S. should not raise false hopes, he said. "Those are not questions that I am qualified to answer for the Soviet Union and the balance of power, Rusk was specific, calling for a greater effort in developing various conventional weapons systems. "I'm not at all of the view that we are far behind or that we will be 'done in' simply because of the unbalance of (strategic) forces."

When asked his opinion of recent theories (such as those formulated by Adam Ulam of Harvard) which charge that much of U.S. cold war policy was misdirected because of incor-

rect perceptions of Soviet intentions, Rusk was brief and to the point: "Nonsense ... most of this (the revisionist theories) is sheer nonsense." Rusk explained that the immediate demobilization of American forces following the end of World War II, and the general weakness of western Europe, and Stalin's belligerent post-war activities could have produced no other U.S. response.

Following the conclusion of the press conference, Rusk visited Prof. Fullinwider's Philosophical Problems of Law class and Prof. Fickett's Comparative Government class. Friday evening Rusk attended a reception given in his honor at the Gari Melchers mansion, and on Sunday he delivered a public address entitled "The Future is Already Here" at G.W. Auditorium.



photo by Thomas Vandever

Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk delivered his public address entitled "The Future is Already Here" to MWC students and residents of the Fredericksburg area. The address was given in G.W. Auditorium on Nov. 13 at 7:30 p.m.



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Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rusk take a moment to converse with each other amidst the crowd at the Jefferson Dorm reception following the former Secretary of State's public address.

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M.W.C. Honor—Editorials A Call for a Closer Look

A free and responsible press is a vital aspect of any environment. The point is inarguable. Whenever a publication oversteps its boundaries, however, the right of ethical journalism is abused.

I refer here to a front page article entitled "Recent Honor Trial Shows Need for Changes," which appeared in last Friday's fourth issue of PROMETHEUS. The preface to the article stated: "In the interest of informing all students who have not had the dubious honor of being involved in an honor trial, the following is presented." Was this the purpose of the article, or was it rather intended to present a biased point-of-view of a significant campus issue? From all appearances, it seems that the intent of the article was to put under public scrutiny the names of our S.A. and Honor Council Presidents.

While Elliot Wentz's attempt to question the actions of our campus leaders is certainly not objectionable, the assertions he makes in the PROMETHEUS article are somewhat unfair. Within the provisions of the First Amendment, this author is entitled to express openly his opinions in print. However, when these opinions serve to deface the names of the characters concerned (i.e. the unwritten implications of the article), this is where journalistic rights may be under fire. Although Wentz does not actually state the name of the S.A. President anywhere in his article, the broad suggestions are still there.

Needless to say, it is important to note that PROMETHEUS does not profess to be a newspaper. The publication prefers to be called a "forum for discussion and debate..." But in this case the laws of ethical journalism still apply.

Wentz surely has the right to scrutinize what he believes to be "weaknesses of the present M.W.C. Honor Code." However, in an editorial of this nature, one cannot avoid detecting a certain slant on the issue. Since the contents of the Honor Trial were not publicly revealed (except to the few witnesses present at the hearing) before this issue of PROMETHEUS, I feel the writer has served a severe injustice to the accused in the trial, our S.A. President.

Though this editorial is not aimed at defending the "Inform-accuser" in Pam Burrows' trial, I believe there are certain prejudices in the Honor Constitution that need to be brought to light. Under Section 2, provision D of Article IV (Procedures), the rights of the accused are specified. The contents of the trial may only be revealed upon request of the accused. Since Pam Burrows was fully aware that her case was going to be publicized in PROMETHEUS, then no injustice was shown there. PROMETHEUS merely exercised the rights of the Freedom of the Press Amendment guaranteed to all journalists.

The fact that no provisions for the rights of the accuser is made in the M.W.C. Honor Constitution deserves attention. Surely anyone who read "Recent Honor Trial Shows Need for Changes" recognizes the absurdity of the whole Pam Burrows honor trial. As was brought out in the trial, the accuser presented a testimony of shaky evidence. This is how Ms. Burrows was acquitted of charges filed against her.

Elliot Wentz certainly demonstrated good judgment by airing the discrepancies of the present M.W.C. Honor Code. However, I question the taste of the manner in which the

facts were presented. Wentz is definitely entitled to his opinion, but again the nature of the editorial placed a clear slant on the issue.

Perhaps the worst outcome of this recent honor trial is that, as Wentz pointed out, "The Honor Council is not well-trained in legal procedures..." After having contacted the President of the Honor Council, I discovered that even she was not sure of the legalities concerning the publication of Wentz's article. When last I heard she was in the process of consulting a lawyer. In saying "it is risky to place the power of police on students who are not well informed of their duty," Wentz has made an accurate observation. Herein lies the purpose of my editorial: not to launch a single attack on the PROMETHEUS staff, but to bring to public attention the discrepancies in the Honor Constitution and the leaders who are supposed to enforce it.

Wentz deserves a round of applause, not for the presentation of his article, but rather for the speculations he made concerning the Honor System. Indeed this system is supposed to be "the mature and deeply cherished moral code of personal integrity at Mary Washington College," as is stated in the Preamble to the Constitution. If the members of the Honor Council are granted the power to decide the fates of students brought to trial, then surely they should be made aware of blatant inefficiencies in their Constitution.

A.F.H.

Honor Trial

A case brought to trial for the Honor Violation of Cheating. The penalty imposed was No Dismissal.

Blame Enough for All

In the article that appears on page one of this issue and in the latest issue of PROMETHEUS, Jim Boyd made some interesting observations. However, I think his placement of responsibility is somewhat misdirected. I say somewhat because it is true that the administration apparently blithely superceded the handbook. But, while the administration committed the act, the Senate tolerated it. For if the student body, through their elected representatives in the Senate, felt strongly enough about this Kathy Mayer matter they could recall her: Amendment I. Recall—"Any student official may be recalled if he has failed to ... uphold the standards of the office." Therefore it is incorrect for Boyd to give the administration all the blame.

Whether or not the removal of the S.A. President is an advisable policy is a question which must ultimately be an-

swered by the student body of MWC. All sides must be given a fair hearing and an equal opportunity to state their side of the issue. As students concerned with the maintenance of an effective student association, we must deal directly with the issue at hand. However, the issue here is much larger than Kathy Mayer; this is why Jim Boyd did not remain in office or attempt to impeach Mayer.

The basic issue presented here is constitutional. During a meeting with President Woodward, Boyd was informed that Woodward possesses absolute veto power over the S.A. Constitution: Article IV: Authority—"The authority of the Student Association is derived from delegation by the President of the College and from the student body of the College." Why then, Boyd asks (in light of this provision in the constitution), have a constitution at all when only one signa-

tory of the agreement is bound by its precepts. This example which Boyd has disclosed is symptomatic of the phenomenon that Michael Mello discussed in the first issue of PROMETHEUS: the students have no power!

In this particular instance the student body may, if it chooses, suspend the administration's suspension of the constitution by removing Kathy Mayer from office. As stated previously in this editorial, the students may just as easily (and in my opinion with a great deal more justification) dismiss the question of Mayer's eligibility for office as a technicality.

But what about the crucial times that we are impotent in the face of similar administrative vetoes of our constitution? It appears that we will just have to watch on in frustration.

H.M.M.

A Near-Sighted View

The Great American Ordeal

By RICK PULLEN

When the warm, gentle Florida breeze first hit me as I stepped off the airplane, I had a great up-lifting feeling. I'd left the cold dampness of Knoxville behind. I'd never thought much of Florida sunshine before, but then I'd never taken a vacation just to relax before either. This time was different. The climate shocked me into realizing that my life would soon, once again, return to some degree of normalcy.

Total exhaustion. They're the only words that accurately describe my state of being at the time. I did little more than sleep, eat, drink—no television, little conversation, lots of lying around in the sun, and lots of salt air from the Gulf.

I'd lived the great American melodrama—the life of a political campaign—and I'd suffered its inevitable consequences. I was burned out.

For months, I worked 12 to 15 hours a day for seven days a week. You have to live it to understand it. I am sure there are a lot of people who fill those shoes this week. The campaigns are over; finally. The candidates and their staffs must be crying out for rest.

The great American melodrama has become the great American or-

deal. What's happened? Why have political campaigns become such monsters? Why did Jimmy Carter have to spend two whole years of his life campaigning? Why do the state candidates have to spend better than a year actively campaigning and even more time gearing up for the great event?

Technology. The rules of the game have changed over the years. Today we must deal with better travel, better communications and a larger electorate. Campaigns are like small armies. Battle plans are laid out well ahead of time, troops are enlisted, and soon the fight begins.

Travel is faster and easier. This leaves little excuse for candidates to be absent from special events. It is nothing new today for a candidate to be at one end of the state in the morning and at the other end by noon. People have come to expect a candidate to show up on the doorstep (or at least in their neighborhood) sometime before the election.

Television has brought politics closer to the voter. It has been 14 years since Walter Cronkite closed his first nightly news cast and since that time television news coverage has become paramount for candidates if they expect to win an election.

Television has also increased the audience for politics. Most people today proclaim they receive most of their news coverage from the tube. More than 97 percent of all homes have a television set.

Is it no wonder then, that politicians go around the state, or nation, chasing down television reporters? A great deal of time in campaigns is devoted to media events trying to wring out some free publicity during the news broadcast.

At the same time that more and more people claim to be disenchanted with politics, more and more are registering and voting. Although the percentage of non-voters is rising, the number of voters is also rising. I'm sure television has had some effect on people's awareness of politics. Whether it is the cause of disenchantment or increased registration rolls is only suspect.

With improved travel capabilities, improved communications, and an ever-increasing electorate, it is no wonder everyone expects the candidate to show up on his or her doorstep.

That's the problem. Increased expectations mean bigger and bigger campaigns. So there are a lot of exhausted people around the Old Dominion this week. I feel for you.

Letters

Dear Editor:

My name is Robert Green. I am presently incarcerated in Arthur Kill prison for possession of L.S.D. This being my first offense, the tension and loneliness of prison life has taxed my control to the limit. I wish to correspond with any student willing to write and help ease a troubled spirit.

Robert Green 76A.3907-B-4
Arthur Kill Prison
2911 Arthur Kill Road
Staten Island, N.Y. 10309

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the players on Mary Washington College's first men's soccer team, I'd like to express my thanks for the campus community for their continued and enthusiastic support during the course of the soccer season. Attendance at our home matches was considerably higher than any of us ever expected, and despite the one-sidedness of two of the games, the MWC spectators remained until the final whistle. Few people realize the tremendous emotional lift that a vocal and supportive crowd gives a team. The players were very appreciative of their cheers and loyalty.

In an effort to get more students involved and knowledgeable about soccer, the MWC Soccer club will be playing informal pick-up games every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 5 P.M. All students are invited to participate.

As they used to say in Brooklyn: Wait until next year. We can't!! Thanks again.

Sincerely,
Roy M. Gordon
MWC Soccer Coach

to place Virginia squarely on the road of responsible progress.

We are proud of all the students who have worked so tirelessly and who have accomplished so much for Virginia in this election. We feel that this campaign may well have established a real political watermark for the young people of this state that portends real promise for the future of the Commonwealth. It has been our great honor to be associated with each and every one of you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth V. Geroe, Co-chairman
Stephen C. Mahan, Co-chairman

Dear Editor:

With Christmas again rapidly approaching, we at Military Overseas Mail are concerned about the many thousands of our military personnel who will be away from their homes and families during the holiday season. For many of these young men and women this will be the first Christmas away from home.

Readers of The Bullet can help make this holiday season a little less lonely and a little more enjoyable for many of these young people by joining in the collection of Christmas mail sponsored by Military Overseas Mail. This is an ideal project for school classes, clubs, and other groups as well as individuals and families. For more information, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Military Overseas Mail, Box 4330, Arlington, Virginia 22204, and mention that you read about M.O.M. in the Mary Washington College Bulletin. Thank you.

Dear Editor:

To whom it may concern, I am now incarcerated in the U.S. prison at Atlanta, Georgia and I am seeking correspondence with any student that would like to establish a pen-pal relationship.

My address is: Box PMB9690 D-2, Atlanta, GA 30315.
I would appreciate any letters.
Jimmy Reachard

Senate Notes

By KATHERINE SHIFLETT

Tuesday, November 8, the Senate had its weekly meeting. Jim Boyd's resignation from the office of Vice President was approved due to the constitutional rule stating that the executive cabinet does not have the power to reject a resignation. The Vice Presidential election will be held next week.

As of Tuesday, the Welfare Committee, chaired by Cindy Hammond, will investigate the possibilities of providing an all male upperclass dorm on campus. Special Projects Committee, chaired by Leslie Schluter, is drawing up a proposal for the extension of dorm hours after exams; checking the progress of the renovation of the pool area under ACL; and continuing to investigate the possibilities of wiring the dorms for outside telephone lines. The Student Organization and Procedures Committee, chaired by Leslie Wheeler, is screening for student body at large representatives for the Judicial Study Commission.

After the election of Lori Rogers as Student Lobby Representative the meeting was adjourned.

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Dalton, Robb, and Coleman Prove Victorious in Election

By SUE PETERS

This past Tuesday, November 8, Virginians elected John Dalton as their new Governor, with 58.8% of the vote. THE WASHINGTON POST characterized the campaign as "the most costly and bitter in the state's history" in the paper's election day issue.

John Nichols Dalton was elected to the House of Delegates in 1965, to the State Senate in 1969, and as lieutenant governor in 1973.

The victory for the three candidates was supposedly an easy one though costly. It was also a day when heavy voter turnout was received in most of the state's metropolitan areas, except Richmond.

Dalton raised an estimated \$1.6 million. Howell spent more than \$700,000. Howell began the campaign better known than his opponent because of his close race with former Attorney General Andrew Miller for the party nominee.

Chuck Robb, the Democratic contender for Lieutenant Governor, won the election with 54.2% of the votes. Forty-five percent of the vote went to Joe Canada, the Republican candidate and State Senator. Robb, the son-in-law of the late Lyndon B. Johnson,

won in every district of the state. A member of the Fairfax County Democratic committee, Robb has held no previous office. He was a practicing lawyer in McLean, Virginia before the election.

Marshall Coleman, a 35-year-old Republican, received 53.7% of the votes in the race with Democrat Edward Lane for the position of attorney general. Supposedly Coleman was trailing the 33-year-old Lane in the polls prior to the election.

Coleman was elected to the House of Delegates and the State Senate before reaching for this office, which has gained importance in recent years.

The bond issues all passed in the state. These bonds will go to supplement education, corrections, hospitals, parks, and ports. The education bond will give MWC needed money to renovate the condemned Monroe Hall.

And last but not least, congratulations to Democrat Lewis Fickett in being re-elected to the House of Delegates for his third term of office. A Democratic victory party was held on Tuesday night at the General Washington Inn for Delegate Fickett and his campaign workers.



photo by Thomas Vandever

Successful candidate for delegate Lew Fickett celebrates his re-election at a victory party held at the General Washington Inn on Election night. Fickett is also professor of political science at MWC.

The White Response to Slavery

A Tragic Ambivalence

By JOHN COSKI

Thomas Jefferson, commenting on the outlook for a society with no slavery, said that it would inevitably "end in the extermination of one race of the other." Jefferson's beliefs characterized the southern skepticism regarding slavery in revolutionary America. His, though, was an unheard voice as the southern skepticism died with him and with the birth of King Cotton in the 19th century south.

Jefferson's beliefs were probably based on the fear that slavery would permanently affect southern whites and their society, and not on any indignation at its moral wrongs. His views epitomized the first stage of the southern whites' response to slavery as outlined by speaker William B. Crawley of the MWC History department in the 10th slavery lecture. Focusing his comments on the Northern response was respondent William A. Rhodes of Germanna Community College.

Initially, slavery grew unopposed with little attention given to it. A Massachusetts judge offered the first real response, denouncing it on moral grounds with the Bible (also used to

reute num) as his justification.

After Jefferson and Eli Whitney's cotton gin, slavery became more than ever an economic necessity. Below the Mason-Dixon line anti-slavery talk became "physically dangerous." Defense of slavery became a defense of the nobility of southern life, giving them a "siege mentality" that would prove an impediment to negotiations in later years.

The "positive-good" feeling of slavery and its all-encompassing benefits for those involved became a rallying call for George Fitzhugh and other staunch supporters. Defenses such as the mud-sill theory, stressing the necessity of a laboring class, and the assumed inferiority of the blacks became entrenched in the southern mind. Political manifestations of the issue were exhibited early on the sectional division that would lead to civil war.

As Cawley concluded, southerners' actions betrayed their beliefs and it is doubtful that they convinced themselves of the idea that blacks preferred slavery over freedom.

Similarly, Rhodes traced the abolitionist movement from its origins as a

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full-time student, he could take three hours if he wanted to and still be classified as a full-time student.

An exemption might also be given if a student is handicapped, and physically cannot get around and can take but so many hours. Another is when a faculty advisor puts in writing in fact that a student is having trouble and cannot handle a full load of twelve hours. Kathy was exempted for this reason: with her holding office as S.A. President, they felt that her work load would be more than she could handle if she had to carry a full class load as well. So she went to summer school and took courses so she will, in May, have enough credits to graduate.

Prometheus: But, when given the fact that she could not take the full course load and hold office, why did they lower the course load rather than take away her office? Do these exemptions not undermine the whole rationale behind that Section 4 in the Constitution?

Boyd: That was my thought on it. The Constitution says you must be a full-time student. To me a full-time student is one who takes twelve hours or more. Period.

Kathy was given permission back last spring, when she was advised by her faculty advisor to come to summer school, because the administration likes to have at least one member of the Executive Cabinet on campus all year round. So Kathy came and took classes. She was also advised, at that same time, that she could take less than twelve hours this semester. She received this permission from her faculty advisor, form Dean Clement and from Dean Croushore. It was brought up in the meeting of October 28th that this has been common practice in times past, but it has never before been raised in quite this manner. You know how this place is: you have to dig deep to find where all the exemptions are on anything.

Prometheus: So Kathy knew last spring when she was advised that she would be taking less than twelve hours?

Boyd: That's correct. She didn't know that when she ran for office, though. When she ran, she expected to take a full class load. But when she was advised by her advisor on what courses to take in the following fall semester, which is this semester, it was brought to her attention that this practice had been used in the past, and it would be advisable for her (with the work load of the S.A. President) to take a smaller load and to come to summer school.

All of this boils down to one thing: our student Constitution, which is supposedly what we're governed under, is not worth the paper it is written on. And the Student Association is, in effect, no more than a puppet of the administration because the administration has the right to veto any decision of the Senate, the Judicial, or the Executive Cabinet.

moral argument to its eventual domination of American politics. Reform movements such as the revolutionary period and the Jacksonian era were major influences on eliminating such an injustice as slavery. He also emphasized the Northern revulsion at the movement and the subsequent southern determination to protect the institution even more.

Expanding on a point made by Cawley, Rhodes pointed out the similarities between the abolitionist and women's rights movements, advocating that southern and especially northern women were less concerned with the economics of slavery as they were with its moral wrongs.

Obviously there was no uniform white response to slavery, only two opposing views of different motivations and of varying degrees, but with enough animosity towards each other to spark this nation's greatest conflict.

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Dedication



THE BULLET staff is proud to dedicate the 50th anniversary issue to Dean Emeritus Edward Alvey, Jr.

Alvey served as Dean of Mary Washington College from 1934-1967. He is currently College Historian and the author of The History of Mary Washington College 1908-1972.

Dean Alvey's assistance in the preparation of materials used in this issue of THE BULLET has been invaluable. We, the members of THE BULLET staff have great respect for a man so enriched by a love of learning. His enthusiasm serves as an inspiration for all.

Phi Beta Kappa Series An Open Door on Ideas

By ANNE F. HAYES

"Delight in the awareness of rediscovery that ideas are fun" is, according to Prof. David Cain, President of M.W.C.'s Phi Beta Kappa chapter the promise of a series of informal evenings to be sponsored by the Chapter this year. The evenings will feature a variety of speakers; discussions, refreshments, and casual conversation will follow the presentations.

Prof. Mary Ellen Stephenson, Chairman of the M.W.C. department of modern foreign languages will be the speaker at the first of these informal evenings. Her topic will be "India Revisited," and the lecture will be held this Thursday, November 17 at 8 p.m. in lounge "A," A.C.I.

Miss Stephenson participated in the India-United States Women's College Exchange program during the academic year 1966-1967. She taught French at the Women's Christian Col-

lege in Madras. Last summer Miss Stephenson returned to India; her perceptions, enthusiasms, and insights, then, and now, will be the focus of her address, which is open to the public free of charge.

"Phi Beta Kappa is in an excellent position to encourage intellectual excitement and to serve as a catalyst for the exchange of ideas on campus," commented Prof. Cain. Cain believes distinction of status among persons—students, teachers, town residents—might well be irrelevant in such a context. He encourages freedom and equality in the sharing of ideas: "We want to witness to the richness, vitality, and health of diverse perspectives and convictions."

The group hopes to offer persons the opportunity to express themselves openly in an informal social context—the "theme" of the series: "An Open Door on Ideas."

Could You Have Survived

By JANE OPITZ
and MARY LEE

We have heard people on the Mary Washington campus complain about certain "strict" rules that they must follow. For example, freshmen are allowed visitation rights on Friday and Saturday until 2:00 a.m. But students who have complained should have been a student here in 1912. The students rose at 7:00 a.m. in the morning to a bell and "lights out" were at 10:30 p.m. after a half hour visiting time among the students. For a young lady to have a caller, he must have had a written recommendation and been on the college list approved by the Dean of Women.

While many dorms now have study hours from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., the study hours in 1912 were from 7:15 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. every night except Saturday and Sunday. During that time, they had to be in their room, Monroe Hall, or in the Library. There was no escaping study hours by going to the Pizza Hut for a snack. If there happened to be a special guest or lecture during a weekday night, it was mandatory that students attend, so students' study hours were moved to between 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Students were also required to attend all meals except Saturday and Sunday breakfast. They also had to be dressed properly and well-groomed. Today's MWC student dresses in nice khaki skirts to Levi jeans for meals.

Men on the campus now, would have a hard time back in 1928 at MWC. Students were not allowed to be seen with a man on the street, in public places, or in automobiles. For those of us who never wear hats, we would have felt out of place in 1928. Students were only allowed up to certain points on the campus without a hat.

A big event happened in 1951, when girls were allowed to stay out on a date until 11:00 p.m. Also in 1958, girls were allowed to wear bermuda shorts

in ACL between 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. and smoke in the C-Shop. It is not unusual today to see students wearing shorts and smoking in ACL.

Major changes occurred in the rules in 1970 to 1971. Students, with parental permission, were allowed to live off campus. The dress code was abolished, drinking was allowed in the room, and dismissal was no longer the immediate action for an honor offense.

So cheer up Mary Washington girls—you have come a LONG WAY! Mary Washington guys—well what can we say? Be glad you weren't around then!

MWC Mourns Student's Death

Jennifer Lynn Hinson, a nineteen year old MWC sophomore, died Sunday November 6th of an apparently self inflicted gun shot wound according to Westmoreland County Sheriff Charles W. Jackson.

Mrs. Hinson, who was described by close friends as being in a "depressed state" was found Sunday night by her parents who had been visiting relatives.

The funeral service was held at two p.m. last Wednesday at Providence United Methodist Church. The Reverend Harold Thornton officiated.

The deceased is survived by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hinson, two brothers William E. and Charles S., one sister Mrs. Charlotte H. Baldwin, paternal grandmother Mrs. Geneva Sanford, and maternal grandmother Mrs. Cora D. Jenkins.

Sheriff Jackson said the death hit the rural community of Montross very suddenly. "It is tragic that the youngster chose to take her own life" he added.

Alumni Trips

Would you like to enjoy summer in winter and experience the drama of a tropical paradise in Acapulco or Rio de Janeiro? If so, the M.W.C. Alumni Association holiday trip program is for you! The Association invites students, friends, and alumni members to participate in this exciting event.

The trip to Acapulco includes round trip jet transportation to Acapulco Continental Hotel, exciting low-cost optional tours, and plenty of free time for personal interests.

The group will depart from Richmond December 26, 1977 and return January 2, 1978. The cost for the trip is \$499.

The M.W.C. Alumni Association also welcomes friends to experience the wonder of a visit to Rio de Janeiro.

The group will leave Dulles Airport February 11 and return February 19, 1978. This trip includes deluxe accommodations for seven nights at the Inter-Continental Rio Hotel. The cost of the trip is \$573.85.

For further information about the trips to Acapulco and Rio de Janeiro, please contact Mrs. Mary Carson, the Alumni House, 373-7250 X348, 249, or write: P.O. Box 1315, College Station, Fredericksburg, Va. 22401.

The History of Mary Washington College: Exciting Times to be Alive

"When I looked upon the beautiful hill I saw in perspective what glorious things might be accomplished."

W.N. Hamlet 1928

On June 5, 1960, the flags of the state capital in Richmond flew at half-mast in honor of the distinguished Virginian who had died the day before. Before his death, C. O'Connor Goodrick was informed that a new physical education center would be built in the honor of him—the founder of Mary Washington College.

Completed in 1969, Goodrick Hall became the thirteenth structure built or purchased by the college since freshman delegate Goodrick had pushed a bill through the General Assembly authorizing the establishment of a state Normal School at Fredericksburg in 1906. Goodrick's compromise with the Harrisonburg senator blazed the trail for the development of MWC and its lifelong competitor—Madison College. The half-century of Goodrick's involvement with this college would see immense changes in the world, the country, and the institution. Subsequent years have continued to be a commentary on the era in which the college operates.

Optimism surrounded the opening of the Normal School in 1911 as two new structures, 15 faculty members and the first president—Edward Huston Russell awaited the arrival of the first students. Although there were only 110 young ladies who were restricted to three visits to town per month, some Fredericksburg merchants began gearing their economy towards the new school from its founding.

The early years saw a steadily increasing number live and learn in the shadow of the Victorian era while catching a glimpse of what was to be the age of women's suffrage. Traveling what was described as "the worst piece of road" ever seen, the Normal School girls ventured to the inauguration of President Wilson in 1913, witnessing a march for women's rights. For the time being, though, the doctrine of "local parents" allowed for the institution to act in place of the parents for the discipline of the girls.

Access to Fredericksburg was difficult as the city had not yet reached the base of the heights. Eventually, enough sidewalks were built to "make Atlantic City green with envy" and the water problem was solved in an agreement to use city water, replacing the old artesian well behind Willard Hall. For several years, a pig sty was located down the hill from Willard, providing an efficient garbage disposal system for the dining hall.

Willard and Monroe, of course, carried the burden of providing all the services of a college campus until the additions of Virginia, Betty Lewis, ACL and Seabeck (before 1930) set the trend of steady growth.

Although regulated by strict bell schedules, dress codes, visitation

rules and other restrictions, provisions were made for an active social life. Tennis and basketball courts and a swimming pool were established drawing huge participation from the athletic teams. A trip was made to Annapolis in 1914 for a tour and a football game, inspiring a familiar quip, "If Annapolis were in Falmouth, life would be worth living."

Long-standing traditions were established before the First World War such as the May Day Festival, the YMCA and the Rifle Club.

When America entered WWI, Rifle Club Captain and math professor, Gunyon Harrison, enlisted in the Virginia Infantry. Films and lectures were presented to show the impact of the war. Generally, though, life at the school proceeded normally through the war years. In 1917, President Russell received authorization to sell one horse and purchase in its place a truck for \$435.

The widespread influenza epidemic of 1918 brought one death to the college community and disrupted things for over a week.

As another decade began, MWC had its second president. Former Latin professor and Dean of the College, Algernon Bertrand Chandler, replaced the ill President Russell in 1919 and would serve in that position until his sudden death nine years later. The '20s also marked the first name change in the college's history as it officially became a State Teachers College in 1924. It had been doing the work of a teachers college for a number of years and would continue to have a primary role in student teaching in the Fredericksburg area.

Despite a rising academic standard and an increasing number of available majors, the school was rejected membership in the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of Southern States in 1927. Membership was granted, though, after a massive effort to improve the credentials of the faculty. By 1932, 13% of the entering freshman class graduated first or second in their high school—a standard that would characterize the school throughout its history.

The 1930s presented the new President, Morgan Lafayette Combs, with several tests of leadership. After a "serious rift" between Dean Alsetter and the President, Combs virtually eliminated the office of Dean of the College. After Alsetter resigned, Edward Alvey assumed a position entitled "Chief Academic Advisor," which was soon renamed Dean of the College and occupied by Mr. Alvey for almost 40 years.

Student agitation over rules regulating visits to town caused a week of

tension and negotiations in November of 1934. One of the outstanding seniors was expelled for her role in the protest and was featured on the front page of the WASHINGTON POST. After Mr. Combs settled the controversy with a reinterpretation of the new rule, he attributed the trouble to "the growing pains of student government."

Throughout the '30s, the College built a reputation of high standards attracted diverse students, teachers and visitors. Thirty-eight states and three territories were represented by 1941 and over 10 buildings including the statuesque new Ball tri-occupied the campus grounds.

Shadows of the crisis in Europe began to appear in the late '30s and, appropriately, a seminar was sponsored on the growing threat of Nazi Germany. A Czech refugee and noted scientist, Dr. Hugo Mendel, settled in Fredericksburg and began teaching at the college in 1940. His unprecedented work on the genetics, Gregor Mendel, was continued with the reestablishment of his world-famous Mendel Museum in the newly completed Trinkle Library. Commenting on the college in a BULLET article, Dr. Itin wrote, "After the dark days behind us, but also comparing this bright picture with the gray and gloomy schools of Europe, I saw old Greece rising to life again."

War was soon in coming and the school responded admirably. MWC became one of the first colleges to launch a program of selling war bonds and stamps in January 1942. A measure was adopted abolishing Thanksgiving and Easter holidays to save oil.

The school's marching band led a parade of Virginia soldiers in Richmond, fifteen of which were from MWC. Air raid drills and blackouts were strictly enforced and inspected from the roof of G.W.

The cavalry troop was organized by the Hoof Prints Club in response to President Combs' request for ideas to help with national defense. Trained in crowd control, defense and police work, this organization grew to its peak after the war, not disbanded until 1958, and having its greatest test in the flood of 1942.

On October 15, 1942, the Rappahannock crested at 45 feet above normal and flooded downtown Fredericksburg. Only the girls living in Cornell Hall below the heights had to evacuate. Power was off on the campus and throughout the city, leaving only the glow of the fire that consumed precious oil on the waterfront to aid the Cavalry Troop in dissuading looters and the students to operate canteens for the townspeople.

By 1943, the last of the original faculty, Nora C. Willis and W.N. Hamlet, retired. Shortly thereafter, on February 22, 1944, Mary Washington College (given that name in 1938) be-

came a full liberal arts college affiliated with the University of Virginia. Twelve years earlier, an effort to establish the college as an independent liberal arts college had been vetoed by the Governor because of the growing depression.

Upon affiliation with UVA, male students, who had been attending summer sessions since 1929, were no longer admitted. From 1946-54, though, full-time males were admitted under the GI bill to alleviate overcrowding caused by the return of the war veterans. After the last of the veterans left, it would be 16 years before MWC became fully co-educational.

The early fifties saw the opening of the Fine Arts Center on the site of the old golf course and the construction of Randolph and Mason halls on the grounds previously occupied by the Spanish house. Brampton became the President's house after its purchase in 1946, reinforcing the image of the college as an historical shrine in itself.

The cornerstone of the Fine Arts Center included copies of the BULLET, the BAYONET, and the EPALUET, which, along with THE BATTLEFIELD emphasizes the role of Civil War history in the story of MWC.

Gun emplacements can be seen today on the campus, owing to the efforts of Dr. Anne Humphreys who saved them from destruction in 1911. Since the College also lies on the site of a village of Seabeck Indians, there may also at times be unearthed on the campus grounds, as Mr. Goodrick noted in 1944, "moments of its aboriginal owners."

As well as continuing rumbles from the students over the slowly changing rules, President Combs had troubles of his own in the revolutionary 1950's.

After undergoing a "rearrangement of deck chairs," he appeared not to be at all bitter. Later, though, the ill President charged five faculty members of conspiring against him and was removed from office. Dr. Combs died soon after his dismissal and was succeeded by Grehl C. Simpson.

Simpson's administration marked the first dress code changes and relaxations in the smoking, lights-out and visitation rules. The series of night watchmen officially became campus security on the latter part of the decade and the marching band was disassembled soon after the College's golden anniversary. Another milestone was reached in 1955 when the first alumnae granddaughter was admitted.

With the modernization of lifestyles came the inevitable raise in costs. While the costs for one session had been \$144 in 1911, they totaled \$855 by 1957, and the textbook costs had risen considerably from the original estimate of \$9 per 3 months.

The turbulence of the 1960's was not lost upon MWC. Traditions such as the



photo by Thomas Vandever

We've come a long way baby—note the painter pants, checked shirt, tennis shoes, and blue jeans. (Not to mention the male student!) Today's college apparel is a far cry from yesteryear fashions at MWC.

May Day celebration, station WMWC and the related Mike Club were suspended during this decade of uneasiness. Desegregation was approved in 1964, bringing the first black students by the following session.

Early signs of protest came in March 1965 when a handful of students participated in a civil rights march, singing "We Shall Overcome" in a cold rain.

Like most colleges in the country, there was an unbelievably strong concern with the Vietnam situation as the '60s drew to a close. Editorials and announcements for countless meetings dominated the college publications for several years. Moratorium day was supported heavily by the students and at least 28 faculty members. THE BULLET responded to the bombing of Cambodia with a special issue. The student body staged an exodus to the nation's capital and the mass demonstrations there. A letter of regret was approved and sent to Mr. Nixon who had had to cancel her visit to the College because of the uproar.

A bill of rights was proposed by the students in 1970 along with a list of challenges for President Simpson which he answered directly in THE BULLET. A five-member delegation from MWC joined other schools in a meeting with Governor Holton and several legislators to discuss the regulations and privileges of college life in the dawn of a student liberationization. Mandatory Saturday classes were abolished in 1968, allowing for a five day work week.

On Monday April 22, 1972, Governor Holton officially separated MWC from UVA—the most recent of a long history of major administrative changes of the college on Marye's Heights.

Although Mary Washington College occupies a hilltop that seemingly holds it aloof from the world around it, its history has proven an interaction with the surrounding community. More importantly, it has provided a barometer to the maturation of American society—its successes and its failures.

Former Dean of Women, Bushnell, Enhanced Grace and Femininity

Today, when one hears the name "Bushnell," the dormitory across from Combs comes to mind immediately. But to many of MWC's old alumni, the name is synonymous with the woman who gave Mary Washington an era of grace and gentility that the college may never see again.

Nina Gookin Bushnell served as dean of women from 1921, until her retirement in June of 1950. Mrs. Bushnell, a graduate of the University of Tennessee, had served as a teacher, principal, and dean of women at other schools before coming to M.W.C. In addition, she served with the Virginia Unit of the YWCA in France during World War I. Her husband, Charles Lake Bushnell, died in 1911 of typhoid fever.

While serving the college, Mrs. Bushnell's endless energies and talents touched almost every aspect of campus life. Her office in Virginia Hall, designated as the "home office," was every thing from the general information bureau to the college switchboard for many years. She handled all room assignments for students as well as permission cards on which parents indicated the privileges they wished their daughter to have, always of course, within the framework of the college's regulations. Further, as social director, she supervised all recreation and entertainment, never hesitating to eliminate anything that she felt offensive or in bad taste.

Mrs. Bushnell's infamous calling list retained the names of all young men who came to call at the college. In her own words, she "investigated the status of all men callers for the social calling list," and it was her prerogative to turn anyone away that she did not deem suitable. Her office issued guest cards to the callers who passed her personal inspection, which were then presented to the dormitory hostess. Her office also handled all of the students' weekend trips, requiring checking in and out at designated times.

Mrs. Bushnell is probably best re-

By PATRICK EVERETT

membered for the way she presided over each evening meal in the dining hall. The doors were closed promptly at six, Mrs. Bushnell said grace, and then the dinner began. Sitting at a small table set apart from the students, she was able to observe each young lady's posture, grace, and manners. She always dressed for dinner and expected the students to do likewise. She believed the dining hall to be a classroom in the learning of "good breeding."

To Mrs. Bushnell, these graces were part of educating young women, and boisterous laughter, elbows on the table, and dropped silverware always produced a frown or a comment from her table.

Mrs. Bushnell was not loved by all, but if nothing else, she demanded respect. Upon her retirement in 1950, one faculty member stated: "Appreciation of Mrs. Bushnell came with maturity." She died in 1970 in a Florida retirement home.

Bushnell Hall, erected in 1958, bears this infamous woman's name today. Mrs. Bushnell's sentiment for M.W.C. and the people that founded the College can best be summed up in her reply to the news of the dormitory's dedication: "If I can but have a place in the hearts of the girls who know me and shared in work and vice and in rich companionship, I shall be content."

A Taste of the Good Life

Those of us who think we've got it bad (and there are many!) should take a peek in various volumes of MWC's freshman handbook. Sheesh! Those "older generations" must have led lives of loneliness. In the first place, visitation as we know it today was practically non-existent. The measures through which one went in order to engage in "a little clean fun" were archaic, even by our standards. Fads at MWC were, obviously, religiously followed. Suggestions in those invaluable handbooks tell us to be sure to include (for dorm wear)—bermuda shorts, pedal pushers and other sportswear. Where does it say bermuda shorts are sportswear, anyhow?

Moving on to campus wear—slacks (and jeans, or would it be dungarees?) are omitted. This leaves those

harried college women with the choice of a skirt and sweater or maybe a skirt and sweater? My question is: who prides this stuff up? Among the essentials from home (and this)—bureau scarves and photographs—enough said. These helpful hints warn us that MWC's sidewalks are deadly on spikes. Spikes? One thing I haven't changed—one still needs molding boots. It is also recommended to take advantage of the plays, concerts and museums found in Richmond and Washington.

This little book tells us that college work is no harder than high school work (thanks). There are a few more words of wisdom. Did you know—that is significant—that in the spring, May day is celebrated with (I kid you not) a May Queen. Perhaps we could peti-

tion to get that little tradition back here at old Mary Wash.

Oh—ho, heed this. Senior day gives us the opportunity to instruct "lowly underclassmen" to perform mental tasks (i.e. carwashing, ironing, etc.) spare me... understand the rules around here, now. I wouldn't go as far as to say we have it lucky, but it's not as bad as oh, having a meal assigned to you. The handbook suggests 2-5 a week for expenses. (Ha!) My favorite part was the statement that prevents slacks being worn to the library. A last suggestion in one camp was out of traditions at MWC. Among the winners were "don't bump us out" and "never step on the bronze seal imbedded in the library floor." Seriously, who wants to step on the bronze seal, anyway?

News Briefs

The Spotsylvania County Parks & Recreation Department will sponsor a "Kick-Off" Men's Basketball Tournament December 2nd to 4th. The double elimination tournament will be open to all area teams and will be limited to 16 teams. The entry fee will be \$50 per team, and the following restrictions apply to all teams: 1) minimum age 18 years (before Oct. 1), 2) no player may currently be playing high school or college ball, 3) roster limits of 15 players, 4) basketball jerseys with regulation numbers must be worn. Team and individual trophies will be awarded to the champion and runner-up teams.

All entry fees and rosters must be received in the Recreation Department office no later than noon, Monday, November 28. A preliminary coaches meeting and drawing will be held on Thursday, December 1, at 7:30 P.M. in the Recreation Department office. Additional information may be obtained by phoning 882-6361, ext. 255.

The "Around-The-World-Bazaar," held annually by the Campus Christian Community will be Wednesday, November 16, from noon until 5:00 P.M. The display will be in Lounge A of Lee Hall.

The items sold at this bazaar represent the talents of refugees of 13 countries. You will find wood carvings, jewelry, handwoven materials from Guatemala (suitable for shirts and dresses). There will also be blouses and shirts for men and women, handwoven capes, jackets, sarapes, as well as other unique crafts.

For those of you looking for Christmas presents, you will find hand-tooled leather goods from Africa, Christmas ornaments from India and Mexico, cotton and silk scarves from India, shoulder bags from Greece and creche sets from Bethlehem. These crafts are moderately priced from \$2.00.

You are encouraged to support these refugees by buying items they make in their self-help workshops and

shelters.

Campus Christian Community will sponsor a multi-media Thanksgiving service in Seabeck Basement this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Joseph C. DiBella will speak at a faculty-student dialogue sponsored by Campus Christian Community, Thursday, November 17 at 7 p.m., 1213 Dandridge St.

The Professional and Administrative Career Examination (PACE) which is used to fill grade GS-5 and 7 College entry positions, will be administered competitively during January and April 1978. The January examination will be at Mary Washington on January 21st. We have applications in the Career Placement Office Room 101 ACL. The filing period for January testing will be from November 1 through November 30, 1977. The filing period for April testing will extend from February 1 through February 28, 1978.

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M.W.C.'s Past—A Case of Harsh Requirements

By ANNE F. HAYES

The requirements were stiff, the teachers were strict, and the going was tough. Students had to take 56 required courses and pass a total of 126 hours to graduate. Saturday classes were enforced. Those were the days of the '50's and '60's at M.W.C., when our graduates were assured of being well-rounded on a broad variety of subjects.

Prof. George Van Sant, chairman of the philosophy department, recalls with some amusement the rigid requirements of long ago. Students were expected to take 18 hours of a language of intermediate level or higher, 6 hours of American or English literature, 8 hours of a natural science, 6 hours of humanities, 6 hours of American history or history of civilization, and 6 hours of social sciences. They also had to pass 36 hours in major subjects and related fields, and 29 elective hours. Everyone was required to take 4 hours of physical education and of health.

It used to be that every student who wanted to graduate from M.W.C. had to pass a swimming course. Van Sant remembers that there were always one or two students splashing around in the pool a few days before graduation.

In 1969, the College's administration recognized a need for change. At

this time Chancellor Grellet Simpson appointed an ad hoc committee to study degree requirements and make changes in the College calendar, student loans, and methods of instruction. Prof. Van Sant was named chairman of this committee.

The group sought the opinions of both faculty members and students in the preparation of the report. The committee worked for almost two years. The first part of the report was read to the faculty March 18, 1970. The report received favorable attention from the campus community.

A college-wide discussion day was held April 29. On this day all classes were cancelled while members of the student body and faculty suggested changes in the proposed report.

A number of discussions and meetings followed the landmark event. In the end the following changes were approved: basic degree requirements were simplified; specifications were made that at least 1/2 of courses for graduation be outside the major field; and a maximum of 40 hours in the major program was established. Also, elective courses were to fill up the remaining credits. Under the new requirements, students only needed one year of physical education to graduate. Students also had to demon-

strate competency in English composition and a foreign language.

The alternate degree and special major programs were established at this time. Along with the academic changes, a new advisory system was instituted at G.W. Every year four faculty members serve in the Academic Advising Office.

In a retrospective view of his 20 years at M.W.C., Prof. George Van Sant made several observations about the degree body, past and present. Although the present degree requirements system allow the student to take courses he enjoys, Van Sant warned that the "requirements are too loose now."

He recognizes that today's students are more serious about their education than those of the late '50's and '60's. He said the present generation of students is more likely to finish all four years of college than students in past years.

"Whatever shortcomings are in our present academic system," Van Sant commented, "are the fault of the faculty." The professors are not requiring as much as they should (with regard to workload) he said.

"One of the worst points of the system is that professors try to make course requirements easy enough to attract students." This in turn leads departments "to compete with each other to justify staff." In an age of department cutbacks, Van Sant views this force as harmful to the academic environment.

Exams

By LAURIE SHELOR

There are some of us who, having come to this wonderful institution of learning, find we don't know what we're doing. I, for one, am totally lost, as to the correct procedure for 'craming' as seasoned veterans call studying for an exam.

Not having had an exam, for ... longer than I care to recall, it's understandably difficult to adjust. Midterm time was one of unsurpassed agony for me, and the two weeks following midterms when I received my graded exams were worse.

There are several ways in which to prepare for a Mary Washington exam. Those spiritually inclined can rely on saying rosaries or lighting candles for peace of mind. Masochists can pull what is known around my hall as "all-nighters." These are exactly what they sound like: staying up all night trying to absorb as much information as possible without physical abuse.

One of the more interesting alternatives to spending three straight weeks memorizing the required books for introductory psychology is unfairly stereotyped BRIBING.

But we who occasionally resort to this affectionately call it BEING NICE TO TEACHER.

This tactic involves a certain amount of subtlety on the student's part. One cannot merely stroll up and purr about "those fascinating chemistry labs," or suggest a midnight help session at My Brother's Place.

Hopefully, when finals roll around (roll, ha! crash down on my head is more like it) I'll be better prepared to successfully study. The only problem is, I can't figure out how to memorize 730 pages of Art History and still catch the Tonight Show.



The Way They Were—

By SUSAN MORROW and LINDA SHERIDAN

Have you ever wanted to know what the food was like in Seacobeck in 1965, or when the dress code changed? What were the students like way back then? Talking with several professors and former students was a good way to find out information. The following is their impressions of how M.W.C. has changed over the years.

Mrs. Katherine Clatanoff is well known at M.W.C. as an instructor of economics and political science. Few people know, however, that Mrs. Clatanoff came here in 1969 as a rookie—not a rookie instructor, but a rookie freshman student!

Mrs. Clatanoff witnessed many changes during her years as a student. As a freshman, she saw the dress code change. Girls were now allowed to wear slacks!

Visitation was also changed during her freshman year. Mrs. Clatanoff said visitation was only on Sunday afternoons. You had to sign in and out for the weekends. Most students went away for the weekend, and Mrs. Clatanoff described Mary Wash as a "suitcase school."

One of the things Mrs. Clatanoff liked about Mary Washington was the friendly atmosphere. "Mary Wash was then and still is a very friendly place to be," she said. A bad respect was the food in the dining hall. "The food was terrible!" she commented.

Because there were not any guys until her senior year, when the school became co-ed, Mrs. Clatanoff said that keg parties or anything of that sort were not held. Liquor was allowed in the dormitory rooms, but not anywhere else. The only formal held was the Ring Dance.

Until her senior year, Mrs. Clatanoff noted that students could not live off campus unless they resided with their relatives. During her senior year, only seniors could live off campus.

Another thing that has changed at Mary Wash is the use of I.D.'s in the dining hall. This has perhaps added an impersonal note to the campus, but Mrs. Clatanoff believes on the whole that Mary Washington has a close personal atmosphere not found at

many other schools. In fact, Mrs. Clatanoff did attend a co-ed college for a semester and she came right back to M.W.C.! She did not like the other school, and comparing Mary Wash to it, she said, "Mary Wash was a friendlier, smaller, and nicer place to be."

A general impression of the late '60's and earlier '70's was that every college was full of liberal activists, and everyone had a cause to support. Mrs. Clatanoff disagrees with this idea. While agreeing that students were concerned about some issues, she felt that the vast majority at Mary Wash were apathetic politically. "Most girls looked forward more to their weekend dates."

Mrs. Clatanoff enjoys teaching here and what she appreciated as a student still holds: the personal friendly atmosphere of the campus.

Dr. Ilma Overman is the new physician at the infirmary this year. She has done much to improve the quality of medical care available to students. Visiting hours have been lengthened, prescription service has been more efficient, and perhaps more importantly, Dr. Overman has added a friendly and personable atmosphere to her job.

Dr. Overman likes her job and the college. Perhaps this is because she graduated from Mary Wash in 1965. She majored in per-medical sciences and continued her studies at M.C.V. She talks readily about her college years.

"I enjoyed the smallness of the school, and felt like more than just a number." She felt the atmosphere was "formal yet informal." It was formal, she explained, because of the various rules, yet informal because of the helpful, friendly atmosphere of the administration and faculty.

The students, however, abided by a system of rules. A strict dress code demanded that skirts or dresses be worn at all times. Shorts were allowed only during gym, and a trenchcoat had to be worn over the shorts walking to and from class. Liquor was not allowed within a 30-mile radius of Fredericksburg, so keg parties or dorm parties were illegal.

Meals in Seacobeck were sit-down family style. Dr. Overman explained. Students had to sit at the same table everyday and waitresses served the meals. A cut system was in effect during Dr. Overman's student years. "A student was given so many cuts according to her grade average and the number of hours in class. She could then stay in bed without giving the professor an explanation," Dr. Overman commented.

Dr. Overman lived in Virginia, Randolph, and Bushnell during her four years at M.W.C. She said Mary Washington was basically a "suitcase school." Girls dated guys at U.Va. and Randolph-Macon just as they do now. Some girls also dated men from Quantico, although she noted that their reputation on campus was not the best. At least that aspect of life at Mary Wash has not changed.



Photos from The History of Mary Washington College 1908-1972

Back Then?



Orchestra Opens Season With Fine Success

By MISSY BAKER

On Friday, Nov. 4 Mary Washington College-Community Symphony Orchestra began their concert series with a definite success. Since their formation in 1971 their improvement has been tremendous with much success stemming from the very talented citizens of Fredericksburg, college students and their conductor Dr. James E. Baker.

The program began with Humperdinck's Hansel and Gretel Prelude. It was a beautiful work with a credible introduction by the horns. Throughout the piece the orchestra held a very good balance between the instruments and was very pleasurable listening.

Schumann's Piano Concerto in A Minor was the next selection. The pianist was Suzanne Ward, a junior music major at Mary Washington, and a student of Dr. Bernard LeMoine. Miss Ward did a spectacular job, particularly during the cadenza where she showed her outstanding talent. The orchestra did a fine job accompanying her. This proved to be the best piece on the program and hopefully we will hear Miss Ward again in the near future.

The program continued with Wagner's Prelude to Die Meistersinger. This piece is a combination of different opera themes. It began with a full



Philadelphia Trio performed at M.W.C. as part of the college's concert series.

Philadelphia Trio Captures Musical Mood

By PATRICIA A. RINGLE

On Friday, Nov. 6 in George Washington Auditorium The Philadelphia Trio performed for MWC students and residents of the Fredericksburg area.


The trio is comprised of cellist Deborah Reeder, pianist Elizabeth Keller, and violinist Barbara Sonies. Miss Reeder is a Philadelphian who has won numerous awards including the Gold Medal in 'Cello from the Philadelphia Musical Academy. She is also a member of the Philharmonia Orchestra and the Princeton Chamber Orchestra.

Miss Keller, pianist, has appeared as a soloist with the National Symphony in Washington and is head of the piano department at The Baldwin School in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

Violinist Barbara Sonies studied music extensively at Juillard and later in Italy. She has won many prizes including the Artist Advisory Council Award.

The Trio has performed for audiences in Europe as well as the eastern United States, appearing in such series as the National Gallery of Art concerts in Washington. The Philadelphia Trio was founded in 1971 and is presently in residence at Rosemont College.

The Nov. 6 concert opened with "Trio in C Minor, Op. 1 No. 3" by Ludwig van Beethoven. The selection was appropriately divided into four portions. The allegro can trio section



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orchestra march with large full chords. The woodwinds took over with a delicate quartet between oboe, bassoon, flute and clarinet. This piece was also very well done and enjoyable to hear.

Bruch's Violin Concerto in G Minor was performed by Susan Kervick with orchestra accompaniment. This was a lengthy piece containing three movements—Allegro moderato, Adagio, and Allegro energico. Miss Kervick is also a junior music major at Mary Washington and studies with Mrs. Jan Kourouklis. The piece was of obvious difficulty and Miss Kervick played through with little trouble. She too displayed a great deal of talent.

The orchestra officially completed their performance with Bach's Praeludium but with the applause showing little decrease in volume Dr. Baker returned with an encore of Moon River.

The orchestra meets on Tuesday evenings allowing only eight rehearsals before a performance. This is a very little time to work on such lengthy pieces and shows the high amount of talent throughout the orchestra. Future concerts are scheduled for Friday, December 2; Friday, March 4; and Tuesday, April 18. I have no doubt that these too will be a joy to attend.

What's Happening at Other Schools?

By CINDY GOFORTH

The newspapers from other schools are still coming in to THE BULLET. As can be expected, they printed some "neat" information. Here is a sample:

THE TIGER of Clemson University in South Carolina tells of an economics professor who is planning to open a bar for the students there, which will have one of the largest dance floors in the southeast. Also in THE TIGER was a quote from the past. It read: "Not everybody can be a cheerleader. You have to be a beautiful person, not only on the inside ... but on the outside." Who is this quote from? Well, naturally, a former cheerleader. One more thing from THE TIGER: "In an effort to unify the team and show a sense of devotion, some members of the football team are sporting Mohawk haircuts."

THE WESLEYAN ARGUS of Wesleyan University in Connecticut tells of an event at Yale. "Accusations of sexual harassment of female students have been leveled at Yale University male faculty members. Four women students and one professor of classics, a male, have filed a class action suit against Yale University for the establishment of sexual grievance procedures there."

At the end of one article in THE DAVIDSONIAN of Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina reads: "Always remember when you are down, don't stop. Get off." Also at Davidson, there was clogging, a pumpkin carving contest, and juggling on the schedule of events.

THE PROFILE, the paper of Agnes Scott College in Georgia, tells of a "Black Cat." From what I can tell, it is a time when the sophomores play

Feeling Down?

CONTRIBUTED BY FRANK C. PRATT

"LIFE TODAY is much more complex. Many conflicting demands are handed down from father to son in the farming and handicraft days no longer apply to the intricately organized work and constant change. Our world changes so rapidly that the answer to 'what to do' in the face of a threat to the security of life or peace of mind can no longer be found in a traditional code of 'do's' and 'don'ts' ..."

Tensions like this happen everyday. There must be a way to deal with them, Right?

HOW DO YOU FEEL?

Do you feel down and out?

Do you feel depressed? Does everything others say seem to hit you the wrong way? Do little, everyday problems seem so big that you can't handle them? Because you feel depressed and down, don't think that you are all alone with some overwhelming problem. Everyone feels down at some time or another. Everything seems BLOWN UP and OUT OF PROPORTION sometimes—especially if we're already feeling down.

WHAT DO WE DO?

The EASIEST THING to do is to continue to feel sorry for ourselves. We try and try to figure out why we feel the way we do. Sometimes, most times, there is no concrete reason. Sometimes we feel down—just because ...

Based on Mallarme's poem "The Tomb of Beaudelaire," "Le Tombeau" gave ghostlike impressions and the musical strains were colored by screeching fears.

"Trio in By Major, Op. 8" by Johannes Brahms was assuredly the highlight of the performance. The allegro can trio section was impressively mellow whereas the adagio portion was pleading and dreamlike.

The Philadelphia Trio's execution of delicate musical skills and their acute articulation of the pieces performed as exciting; MWC felt honored to witness the power of this musical group.

tricks on the freshmen. This is what "Black Cat" means to various students there: "a chance to take out my frustrations on someone ... and lots of beer ... a break from academics ... scheming." Sounds like fun! So much for the out-of-state campus news. Here are some excerpts from in-state colleges' and universities' newspapers.

THE CRITOGAPHE, Lynchburg College's paper, prints: "In every student's life there comes a time when she/he yearns for a companion. Since friends of the opposite sex must vanish from the dorms by 2:00 a.m. at the latest, and dogs, cats, and snakes are verboten, the LC student must employ tactics that every college kid should have learned by now: how to take advantage of a situation." The writer goes on to suggest that students have bugs, ants, and flying insects for pets. They are easy to train, loyal, and are permitted in students' rooms.

THE YELLOW JACKET, Randolph-Macon's paper, says that John Dalton, gubernatorial candidate, won the mock election held there. Also, in a satirical article on sororities at R-MC, the paper states: "I understood the deep meaning of sisterhood as we all sat together and consumed onions, coffee grounds, tabasco sauce, bananas, and toothpaste in a beautiful cherry jello mold topped with raw eggs and ketchup. After we finished this epicurean delight, the remains were poured over so gently over our heads." Now, this does sound like fun!

Appearing in Sweet Briar News is this classic sentence: "It's so dull when guys are more interested in beer than girls, you know." Yes, Sweet Briar, we know ...

Richmond: An Old-Fashioned Night

By PATRICK EVERETT

In keeping with the tradition of unbiased journalism, we, the "never say die" party goers of Mary Washington College have decided to give Richmond its share of publicity as a "fun city" in the vicinity.

Gandalf Staff

Our first stop in this unending search for facts was Gandalf Staff, a bar located on the Southside of Richmond. Equipped with only beer and "high school prom" bands, Gandalf Staff seems to draw that type of crowd in which children seem to be of just legal age. If you're looking for your youth, this is the place to go!

Crossing the river and moving down to a more sophisticated section of our capital city, the Shockoe Slip offers quaint old-fashioned bars where one might wish to rendezvous.

Poor Boy's

Our third and final stop of the night was Poor Boys. Here we were able to mingle with your basic nonconformist "Joe college" crowd and enjoyed once more only beer. The bands here are of better quality than Gandalf Staff and make the cover charge of \$2.00 seem more worthwhile. Poor Boys offers a ladies night one or two times a week and has just opened a new disco section, so dancers—take your choice!

Now we have some bad news. One of the best bars in Richmond, Much More, has burned to the ground. You can imagine our dismay when this happened last spring. But take heart. We have been informed that it is to be rebuilt. Our hopes for the best, but until then, you won't find much action there.

Our night in Richmond may not have been the greatest time we ever had but it was a change of scenery and a change of pace (to say the least)!

Sam Miller's

We chose Sam Miller's but since one of us was dressed in jeans, I dare say we were shunned away at the door. This left us with the Warehouse, a less formal hole-in-the-wall that possesses an atmosphere all its own.

Upstairs there was a small jazz band playing and a crowd of usually normal people. Hardwood floors and pine tables and chairs only added to the coziness endowed by the patrons. Mixed drinks were available at a reasonable price. The band, however,

Poetry Corner

A Hint of Destiny

Come my friend
Where are you bound?
To bleak mountains
And misty valleys beyond?

And why do you go there?
To search the peaks and mist
For something you once knew?
Your eyes say that's where you're bound.

You find it strange
I know your dream?

I know it
Because it is mine,
And it calls me also.

Of late my dreams
Turn to dark mountain ranges,
Where destiny calls.
Beyond lies a misty green valley
Where no secrets lie.

We will travel together,
You and I.
But I fear you, my friend.

At times something else stares at me
From behind your eyes.
And it is not the man I know.
And it is not human.

You are forced to the mountains,
Your demon must show you something.
And I must go also,
For I am part of a puzzle.

And the answer lies in the peaks.

Kyrie

There are times
when we can say
a great deal
without uttering a sound.

But still other times,
in our insecurity
we need to hear the words,
for they offer reassurance.

Gretchen Burman

ask for it whether it be from a friend, a professor, or Mrs. Kelly, the college psychologist.

Sometimes it's EASIER TO TALK TO SOMEONE ELSE!

Even though our problems may be special to us, we are not alone in having them. Just remember that there are some ways we can help ourselves and others too.

"The quest for peace of mind—or

for good mental health, which is another name for it—is universal. Yet very few of us are blessed with all the internal qualities and external circumstances that automatically assure us peace of mind. We have to work to achieve it. This means striving for a better understanding of ourselves and others ... It means working out our problems by ourselves when we can, and seeking the assistance of others when we need to ..."





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"lovely ladies" parade in GW

Howie Named Wo-Man of the Year in a Bid for Beauty

By SUE PETERS and SUE HOLLOWAY

G.W. Auditorium was the site of the first annual Wo-Man of the year awards, Wednesday night. Ms. Sue Hanna, of the English Department and local NOW organization, served as Mistress of Ceremony. Best suited for the job, with her sense of humor, she made the evening run smoothly and with a laugh.

For those of you that have not yet heard about the beauty contest, let us tell you. Imagine 12 of the campus males going through the typical feminine humiliation of being put on a stage just for their "gorgeous bodies." And the audience of well over 400 people (mainly MWC females) "ate it up."

The contestants were first introduced to the whistles of the crowd in their evening gowns. We must compliment just for their "gorgeous bodies" but also their superb make-up jobs and lovely nails. The only things that detracted from these lovely beauties were their lack of shoes and hairy ankles. However all in all they made quite an appearance.

The contest, however, was not completely sexist. These luscious males had to perform; in a talent show, that is. Here were some of the highlights.

Craig Howie, who was sponsored by Ball, third floor, mimed "My Man." Sitting on top of a grand piano in a tuxedo top with shorts, to show off his nice legs, Craig captured the crowd with an emotional performance.

Tom Buchanan appeared next, performing an old fashion burlesque. Mark Wright was third in the talent contest doing a sexually oriented reading on mathematics. Fourth was

Skib Skibinski doing his version of ballet. Laird Minor appeared after Skib playing guitar and singing "4 and 20."

Frank Shields performed a scene from "For Colored Girls ..." with Marilyn Graves. Shields showed his versatility by dancing to "Turn the Beat Around" in his slip.

Mark Ingaro was the seventh contestant doing an interpretative dance with bubbles. We would compliment his bubble gum blowing, except that he got one stuck on his face that put a quick end to his act.

Tom Valente baked a cake with an old home recipe including such ingredients as Blue Nun Wine, Lysol and an athletic supporter. Hoyt Scharff sang his own version of the standard "Close To You" with a prop man providing all the laughs.

Chandler Howell deviated from the talents of the other contestants by chugging a 32 ounce bottle of Coca-cola. The only unfortunate part of his act was that it took this wo-man three tries to finish the bottle.

John Linkins and Pat Thompson did a comedy act together and created the first wo-man, to end the talent portion of the contest.

The next stage of the contest was the swimsuit competition in which each contestant was brought out to the appropriate music of "Brick House" by the Commodores. The Mistress of Ceremonies gave the physical statistics and zodiac sign of each as "she" beauty paraded before the judges.

Miss Congeniality was awarded to Hoyt Scharff, who received two long

stern American Beauty roses.

The finalists were picked after a final parade in their evening gowns. The finalists were: Craig Howie, Tom Buchanan, Frank Shields, Mark Ingaro, and Mark Wright. Ms. Hanna asked each contestant pertinent on-the-spot questions and then the winners were announced in order.

During the breaks "The Lettermen" (Patty Reilly, Pearl Maloney and Gayle Winberger) performed their hit songs for the audience.

The fourth runner-up was Tom Buchanan, third runner-up was Mark Ingaro, and second was Mark Wright. Frank Shields, who was questioned about doctors being given immunity for errors, was the first runner-up. This wo-man will take over as Wo-Man of the Year if the winner is ever unable to fulfill her obligations.

Craig Howie, in a stunning black pants outfit was crowned by Prince Woodward. The President kissed Craig and presented the Wo-Man of the Year with a tiara and six roses. The winner took a walk around the auditorium so the audience could applaud their new Wo-man.

The contest was so much of an unexpected success that it has been planned to continue annually. The judges for the contest were all residence hall directors: Mrs. Fee, from Madison, Mrs. Robinson, Willard; Mrs. Diefenbacher, Bushnell; Mrs. Barnes, Westmoreland; and Mrs. Keel, Madison.

Neither Craig Howie nor Frank Shields were available for comment. The contest was sponsored by the Afro-American Association.



Photo by Paul Hawke

Woman of the Year Craig Howie sings the blues during the talent portion of the male beauty pageant, sponsored by the Afro-American Association. The Nov. 9 contest featured male beauties clad in swimsuits, hot pants, and evening gowns.

Departmental Focus

A Dance Major's World

By SUSAN MORROW

All too often in one college life one will hear, "you're a dance major, what a breeze!" This statement has brought about several feelings on the part of the dancer: the strong urge to commit a homicide and the equally strong wish that it were true.

The dedicated person that decides to pursue a major in the field of dance spends at least five hours a day in Goolrick working on different aspects of the major. Then there are the academic classes to attend, and of course studying for all these classes. A dance major is one of the most time-consuming and difficult majors Mary Washington College offers.

In addition to the basic requirements that all students must take, a dance major must complete 36 credits in the major and 40 hours of diversification.

Important in the dance program is

the variety of courses available to students. Along with the studio work, the students are introduced to all aspects of dance. One example of this is the choreography class. In this course the student makes up a choreography number, teaches it to other students, decides on the background and sets it up, chooses the music and costumes, literally running and directing the program. This class also teaches you to work with others and gives the student an opportunity to develop creative potential.

Mary Washington also offers a Dance Company. Admission is by audition only. The company "is a vital part of campus cultural life." Its performances of modern dance and ballet are presented in the George Washington auditorium and in the dance studios of Goolrick. The next production will be held November 9th in Goolrick and November 16th in G.W. Auditorium. The show is open to the

public and all are urged to attend.

The company puts on these performances for several different reasons: to give the students an opportunity to perform, as a community service, and to make people more aware of the wide variety in the types and styles of dance.

After graduation, the dance majors like all others must plan their future. Contrary to the popular belief that all dancers can do is dance, the opportunities and abilities are varied as the students themselves. Not everyone can or wants to perform for a living. Some will perform, others will teach, become costume designers, dance critics, or dance historians—the list is endless.

It takes a certain type of person to major in dance. Not only does it take years of work and certain basic abilities, but a true love for what you are doing. All those people who smirk at a dance major might want to remember that.



photo by Thomas Vandever

Dance majors rehearse in G.W. for ballet and modern dance demonstrations to be given at local high schools in the near future. Pictured dancers are (L-R): Laura Shaip, Ann Thomas, Debra Robinson, and Susan Adams.



Photo by Paul Hawke

The Dance Kaleidoscope performance on Nov. 10 featured ballet, modern dance and improvisational demonstrations. Here, Ginny Andrews (L) and Susan Noona (R) combine in a pleasing improvisation.



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Kaleidoscope dancers pose for a pleased audience at the conclusion of the MWC dance department's recent demonstration held at Goolrick.

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Did You Know?

Some Little Known Facts from THE BULLET

By SUE PETERS

Assisted by Helen McFalls

THE BULLET, in its 50 years, has covered many different events. While going through some of the old issues we found some interesting and juicy news and columns from MWC's past. Throughout its history THE BULLET has changed sizes and graphics numerous times but the paper seems to continually have a problem with typing mistakes.

The war effort was a big news during the '40's and MWC was as involved as any campus could be. Professors Report For Active Duty was only one of the many articles about giving blood, handling mail and other specifics of the war.

Now in the form of "Did You Know?" we present the rest of our findings from former issues of THE BULLET.

1) MWC not only had Devil-Goat activities, they also had Devil-Goat Cheerleaders.

2) Bull Session was the letter to the editor column for The Bullet and letters had to be signed then, too.

3) The weekly gossip column was called Rat Chat.

4) Through much research we discovered almost as many students complained about the dining hall food in past years as we do now.

5) Saturday classes were finally dis-

continued in 1968.

6) In October, 1961 this notice appeared in THE BULLET: Attention! Students are reminded that kilts are classified as Bermudas and not to be worn in class etc.

7) In years long gone, MWC had male beauty contests. Girls were asked to send pictures of their boyfriends for the judging.

8) In 1968, women could wear slacks in classes and in the dining hall during very cold weather until the end of the semester.

9) Dick Gregory appeared at MWC in 1969.

10) UVA and MWC separated in 1972.

11) In 1972 the Residential Council revised its confidential rating sheet. Previously these sheets were kept with other personal information on students to be used for graduate information and as a job reference from MWC. These quality ratings on the form dealt with such things as: personal appearance, room appearance, dependability, co-operation, industry, maturity, sense of humor, and personal integrity.

The administration could keep these on file indefinitely yet they only kept them for eight to twelve years.

We saved our favorite for last. In 1968 a full section was devoted to "The New Morality." The major headlines were: "Churchmen Condone Birth Control," "Several Contraceptive Devices Explained by Experts" and "What Happens to the Unlucky Ones."

A questionnaire was included with the articles. Try it for yourself.

Have your attitudes towards sex changed since you've come to college?

If yes, has this made you more tolerant of the sexual activity of others? If yes, has this made you more tolerant of your own sexual activities?

The "New Morality" can be defined as a belief that sex is natural and good and should be dealt with openly upon agreement between two people who take in account the factors important to them. Do you agree with this view?

The junior class agreed with these statements more than any other class.

Maybe in another 50 years when THE BULLET has its next anniversary, some will look back and think how strange things were in 1977 with the preppy look, closing hours and keying in. But undoubtedly they will still be complaining about the food in Seacobeck and the typing mistakes in THE BULLET.

Toots—Happy Late Birthday! And congratulations on making it a year and a half! I hope your '63 Dodge 330 lasts as long as we do!

Love, wuss

Happy Birthday Mike!

To Anne S., Knock yourself out. After all it is the post-bicentennial year.

Susan: Repeat after me: I am ...

JEC—Don't worry about it! Firefall—just remember ... DR!

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1 name brand pen
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1 Carvela ladies watch
1 ladies Helbrox watch
pr. wooden beads
Bar Bracelet
1 Silver dove or bird
1 Silver ring
1 Cat or witch pin
1 gold rope bracelet
Ankle bracelet
2 birthstone rings
2 earrings—gold (pierced)
1 Indian ring
1 golf club
1 cameo necklace & bracelet

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2 clip boards
Man's blue pin stripe jacket
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white blue trimmed wrap around skirt
Several umbrellas
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dark brown corduroy jacket size 44
Dark blue button sweater—woman's
yellow-hooded rain coat size S.
bright orange yarn cap—knitted
Maroon & yellow jacket—mans size S.
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red & black slip on sandals 1 pr.
black & yellow flip flops 1 pr.
brown swede boots (shoes)

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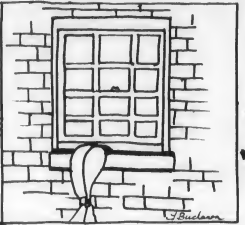
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The adventures of POLLY PRIMP in 1945



The Story Behind the Newspaper

By ANNE F. HAYES

In spite of a few early setbacks, THE BULLET has served as Mary Washington College's campus newspaper since 1927.

As a campus news medium, it is believed that THE BULLET was first published in 1921. Although none of these early copies have survived, pictures appearing in THE BATTLEFIELD indicate that the newspaper was founded then.

In 1924 THE BATTLEFIELD published the names of THE BULLET editors and staff members against a reproduction of the December 1923 edition of THE BULLET. An examination of subsequent college annuals shows that THE BULLET ceased publication after 1924.

In 1925 a literary magazine called the BULLET was published. This magazine featured short stories, articles and poems written by members of the student body. Three more issues of the magazine were published, March 1927 marking the date of the final issue.

THE BULLET again appeared as a campus newspaper in 1927. From then until the present time, THE BULLET has served as a chronicle of campus events. In its 50 year history THE BULLET has published news articles, features, columns, editorials, letters to the editor and other forms of newspaper journalism.

In the late 1960's THE BULLET be-

came more of a vital aspect of campus life. The editors took strong stands on current issues, including the Viet Nam War controversy and other student's rights issues. Included in this decade's copies of THE BULLET were full page features on the "march for peace" and other student protests.

In 1972 THE BULLET published a wider coverage of campus news than ever before. THE BULLET has maintained its status as a weekly publication since then.

Aside from a few missing issues, a complete file of THE BULLET dating from 1927 to the present is available in the archives room in E. Lee Trinkle Library.



Photo by Paul Hawke

A Mexican art exhibit was held last week in DuPont Hall.

Classified Ads Get Results!

The SMALL CLUB would like to announce the opening of its 111 SMALL ROOM—open day or night. B's daily at 10 p.m.

We once knew a girl named Sue Winn Who loved to drink Bourbon and Gin But here is her plight Try as she might The A.B.C. won't let her in!

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The Psychology Club is sponsoring a speaker, Dr. Stewart Miller of Townson State College, on Wednesday, Nov. 16 at 3:45 in Chandler 6. The topic of discussion will be "Understanding Crowding: An Exercise in Dealing with Ambiguity, Uncertainty, Complexity, and Contradiction." All those interested are urged to attend.

Happy Birthday Mike!

To Anne S., Knock yourself out. After all it is the post-bicentennial year.

Susan: Repeat after me: I am ...

JEC—Don't worry about it! Firefall—just remember ... DR!

Belmont Art Sale Opens this Week

An important sale-exhibition of works by American artist Gari Melchers (1860-1932) will be held from November 19 to December 11 in the studio at Belmont. The Gari Melchers Memorial Gallery, Fredericksburg (Falmouth), Virginia. This will be the first offering of Melchers' paintings from the Belmont collection since it became the property of the State of Virginia on the death of the artist's widow in 1965. Mary Washington College administrators Belmont for the State.

The sale will include 20 of Melchers' paintings and drawings representing a broad range of subjects. The major-

ity are from Melchers' later years in Virginia, although some early paintings from his European years will be included.

The purpose of the sale is two-fold according to Dr. Prince B. Woodard, President of Mary Washington College. It will help to revise Melchers' reputation as an important American artist, and the proceeds will increase the endowment, the income from which helps to support the operation of Belmont as a memorial gallery and art center.

This first sale is being held at Belmont in order that Virginia residents who have an interest in acquiring a Melchers' painting may have an opportunity to do so prior to the College consigning a group of Melchers' works to a New York gallery during 1978.

The hours of the sale exhibition will be from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily, except Tuesdays and Thursdays. Appointments for viewings at other times during the sale period and further information may be obtained from Belmont's Director, Mr. Richard Reid, telephone (703) 373-3634.

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M.W.C. oldtimers walk down memory lane

By SUSAN MORROW
and LINDA SHERIDAN
Professor George M. Van Sant began teaching here in 1958. At that time the college was in the process of completing the transition from a teachers' college to the liberal arts college it is today.

Twenty years ago, there were approximately 90 faculty members and 1500 students. This lent a very personal atmosphere to the college. Several times during the year convocations, concert series, and benefits were held. All the students would gather at George Washington Auditorium for the event. This mass meeting produced a feeling of unity.

In the 1960's students thought there was no time for fun. The United States was at war and the students were against it. Free time was spent planning and organizing the events that were going to change the world. Social events were frivolous.

Students today are more realistic and honest. They don't mind going out and having a good time. This is obvious by the large attendance at Keg parties and the revival of Devil-Goat Day. Hopefully, the trend towards group activities will remain and once again the feeling of community will prevail.

Traditions have changed over the years. Van Sant would like to see some of these returned. One example of a past event is "tweedy day." On a given day all sophomores would dress in tweeds and then meet in the area

between Randolph and Mason. The girls would line up four abreast and march all over campus singing the "Tweedy Song." This may not appeal to everybody, but it was a nice change in routine.

Another idea that has changed is that the pinnacle of success was marriage—nothing else was a poor substitute. Most girls came here for two years and then tied the knot. As a result, seniors believed they had been missed on the marriage market. Today people who come to MWC have many options and realize it.

One of the more common complaints one hears is that Mary Washington students are apathetic. Professor Van Sant does not believe this. Students have many activities to choose from, and as a result, some of the less popular events are not well-attended. This lack of attendance has been mistaken as apathy.

Professor Van Sant has enjoyed his years at the college and hopes that the future years are as enjoyable.

The next time you complain about keying in, or Seacobeck food just remember... there was a time when you could not leave the campus at will and you were forced to eat all that was on your plate. Times certainly have changed.

Professor Benjamin W. Early is one of the better-known English instructors at MWC.; he has been teaching here since 1948. Over the years Early

has witnessed many changes in the College and in the students.

In the past years space was at a minimum; his office once held four people and classrooms were not much better. Chandler once housed chemistry, history, English, and home economics departments—not to mention the C-shop in the basement! Even though the buildings may be run down now, there is enough space for everyone.

According to Early, the greatest change he was witness at M.W.C. concerns standards of admissions. In 1948 some students barely had the capacity through high school and yet they were allowed to enter the college.

Attitudes of the students have changed. Today people that come to M.W.C. have goals and are more determined to fulfill them. In past years MWC was a stopping point between high school and marriage. When one young lady was asked why she would not do her work, she answered, "Oh come on, you know I didn't come here to work." Most girls came here for their Mrs.!

As the years passed, traditions and rules were changed. No longer does Dean Bushnell go to the dining hall to show students the proper way to eat soup. Doors are not locked when liver is served, and you are allowed to come and go as you please.

While one may sometimes think about the past, the student of today has just as much if not more to offer.

Sports Have Come a Long Way, Too

By CANDY SAMS

In the 1920's, Mary Washington College was an all girls teachers college whose athletic program was very small and very simple. There weren't any intercollegiate team sports. Instead they had what is traditionally held today—Devil and Goat intramurals. This is where the freshmen and junior teams competed against the sophomore and senior teams during the specific seasons in their sports—field hockey, basketball, softball and tennis. The teams would compete year long for the devil or goat dominance of the year. The general fashion for that decade was the long skirt look, but in sports, instead of wearing the long skirts, they wore black bloomers (to the knees), white sailor tops with long sleeves, a black tie around the shirt, black stockings, and tennis shoes. Now you may wonder how they could ever play in a uniform like that with the bloomers flapping

around in the wind and the limited arm room with the long sleeves. Because it is hard for us to imagine it since we have shorts and loose shirts, there is more of a reason to admire them.

Moving right along into the 1930's, the MWC team made a few uniform changes and added a few more sports. The uniforms were short jumpuits—you know like the kinds you may have had to wear for high school P.E. classes. The other sports added to the recreational program were swimming, horseback riding, golf, archery, hiking, and modern dance. Along with basketball, field hockey, softball and tennis, the girls had a wider variety of intramural sports to compete in for the devil and goat competition.

The 1940's and 50's had the same uniform as the 1930's, but more sports were added to their program. These sports were volleyball, fencing, and the terrapins swim team. A big change that came about was MWC's

admittance into the intercollegiate program in 1957. All of the sports were eligible for the competition which opened another door for increasing MWC's recreation programs.

The 1960's and 70's were similar because the uniform was changed to a shorter skirt and polyester shirt, and lacrosse was added. Another big change was the official acceptance of men to MWC. They formed an intercollegiate men's basketball team and now have a newly-formed men's soccer team this year.

The college has gone through many changes since the 1920's with various uniforms, the intercollegiate teams as opposed to the devil and goat intramurals, and the addition of men's sports. It is hard to imagine that 50 years ago women could play in those long bloomers and skirts. Besides, how much shorter could the girls sports skirts get than what they are today? You never know what the future holds for us!



Men's Basketball Season Looks Optimistic

By PATRICIA A. RINGLE
This Saturday (Nov. 19), the MWC men's basketball team begins another exciting season, meeting the Alumni in the traditional season-opener. The Alumni game boasts players such as Prof. Marshall Bowen and well-known graduate Glen Markwith. The match promises entertainment and excitement for all.

Coach Ed Hegmann expressed optimism concerning the team's prospects this year. "We are a young team, taller and more experienced than in the past. There is a lot more depth this year—I wouldn't hesitate to give any one of them the ball."

This year four seniors return to provide stability and leadership: 6'8" Mark Holmberg, 5'11" Paul La Due, 6'4" Wally Scott, and 6'3" Tommy Vandever. Scott and Vandever are

from Fredericksburg, while Holmberg and La Due are from Northern Virginia. All four senior veterans were starters on last year's team, and eagerly anticipate this year's difficult but challenging schedule.

Two sophomore veterans also return to the team: 6'2" Paul Hawke from Canton, Ohio, and 5'8" Ron Saunders of Richmond. Both players saw a lot of action last year, with Saunders contributing long-range rebounding.

The team is fortunate to have gained two sophomore transfer students: 6'2" Ron Synan of Manassas and 6'4" Duke Ståbleford of Woodbridge. Synan and Ståbleford are excellent rebounders and shooters, and should fill important roles this year.

Five freshmen complete the roster: 6'1" Kevin Martin and 6'7" Pat Peck-

inpaugh from Spotsylvania, 6'2" Mark Wright of Brentsville, 6'11" Frank Fitzpatrick of Fairfax, and 5'11" Butch Griffin of Suffolk. Martin, Fitzpatrick, and Griffin are all fine ball-handlers, and Peckinpaugh and Wright are excellent rebounders and defencemen.

The MWC men's team has added several new colleges to their list of opponents and Coach Hegmann believes that their schedule will not offer one easy game. Included in the schedule this season are Virginia Wesleyan, Radford, Longwood, Ferrum, North Carolina Wesleyan, Galludet, Shenandoah College, and many others. "We had eight wins last season, commented Hegmann, and six of those wins were against schools we no longer play."

Coach Hegmann looks favorably upon the outcome of this year's season. "We have a lot better team this year, and so far they all have a good attitude."

So, come out and support the men's basketball team as they take on the Alumni Nov. 19. The team needs your support!



Photos courtesy of Dean Alvey

There will be a contest to pick a name for Mary Washington team sports. Other colleges have the names of Virginia Cavaliers, Virginia Tech Gobblers, and the Randolph-Macon Yellowjackets, so put your thinking caps on and submit your favorite name to your front desk. The contest will begin Tuesday, November 15. If you have any questions contact Paul La Due at extension 442.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

R.A. Basketball

Signups for RA intramural basketball are now being held at the front desk of all dorms. Games will be held at 7:30 and 8:30 as often as interest dictates.

Ideas for an MWC team name are also being taken at the front desk of all dorms.

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Girls' Basketball Faces Promising Season

By KIM WARKER

After three weeks of conditioning exercises, line drills, laps and scrimmages, Coach Connie Gallahan has selected the members of MWC's 1977-78 Women's basketball team. From an initial group of 25 people, Miss Gallahan has chosen 13 girls for this year's squad. The team is a young group, with six freshmen, five sophomores and one junior.

Since this year's team is not especially tall, Coach Gallahan has placed emphasis on speed and endurance. Players are working hard learning new types of defenses and are strengthening fundamental skills. Much of the team's success will depend on their ability to play in pressure situations.

Forwards for the team include Jamie Goone, sophomores Kim Warker, Barb Gant and Kathy Shelton, and freshman Patty Loving. Jody Morradian, Kathy Jones and Mary Alice Robinson, Rounding out the squad are

the guards: sophomores Colleen He-negan and Mary Pat Gallagher and freshmen Patty Shillington and Ann Hanky. Mickie Miller contributes her time and enthusiasm as manager.

MWC's first test will come in just two weeks when the team takes on Randolph-Macon (Ashland) here at MWC on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 7:00 p.m. The team will also play two more games this semester. The girls will travel to Staunton to play against Mary Baldwin on Dec. 2 and then challenge Virginia State on Dec. 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Hopefully, the youth of the team will aid in developing a fresh, optimistic attitude toward the coming season. The players are sure their hard work and dedication will lead to a successful and promising season. Please come out to support and encourage the team in two weeks when they face Randolph-Macon at 7:00 p.m. You won't be disappointed!!!

Intercollegiate

Horse Competition

Horseback riders from Mary Washington College won five ribbons at this season's first intercollegiate horse show October 6 in Charlottesville.

Competing for the college was senior Tom Buchanan, sophomore Abbey Woodruff, freshmen Lez Frins, Nanette Rider, Trina Ray, Sandy Wise, and Pam Clapp.

The Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (I.H.S.A.) will sponsor eight shows, hosted by various colleges throughout the state. Individual riders must accumulate at least twenty-one points in these shows to qualify for regional competition in late April.

Ten MWC riders will compete for the second time November 11 at Southern Seminary College.

Mirrors of the Past

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